

Give Britain "The Tools," Pleads Mayor In Savings Address to Theatre-Goers

A ringing appeal to his fellow townsmen to pledge themselves to buy war savings certificates was issued by Mayor Dr. L. W. Dales in a between-show address at the Strand theatre on Tuesday evening.



DR. DALES

and lend our money to our country at this time of

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Aubrey Davis Resigns From War Job For Undisclosed Reason

Leather Men Express Surprise and Regret As Newmarket Man Gives Up Duties At Ottawa

Aubrey Davis, Newmarket, president of the Davis Leather Co., has resigned from the war purchasing board, on which he served as a leather technical consultant to the department of munitions and supply, Hon. C. D. Howe, head of the department, has announced at Ottawa.

Mr. Davis served without remuneration, not even accepting the "living allowance" of the "dollar-a-year" men.

"Mr. Davis has given ungrudgingly of his time and his talents to Canada and has rendered valuable national service in connection with the supply of leather and leather goods required for the armed forces," said Mr. Howe.

Although Mr. Davis has not said so, it is generally assumed that Mr. Davis, like a number of other business men who have retired from the government service, became "fed up" with conditions at Ottawa.



AUBREY DAVIS

Contacted by The Era, Mr. Davis preferred not to be interviewed, and had nothing to say other than that for 15 months he felt he had been able to do effective work for the board, and that he did not resign for any personal reason from activities he had been urged to assume in the early months of the war.

The opinion of representatives of the leather trade is evident from letters, addressed to Mr. Davis, which The Era was privileged to see. The following are extracts:

Anglo-Canadian Leather Co., Huntsville, C. W. Conway, general manager: "I can guess at the conditions which have governed your decision, and it is a great misfortune that such should exist. As regards any thanks to the tanners for assistance to you, of course the shoe is entirely on the other foot. Our company are most grateful to you for all the help you have given to them and to other tanners. We have appreciated the difficulties under which you were working a good deal of the time."

Williams Shoe Ltd., Brampton, Harry L. McMurchy, president: "We were sorry to learn that recent changes make it no longer necessary for you to assist the department of munitions and supply, and would like to express our appreciation for the assistance you have been not only to the shoe industry but also to Canada's war effort in connection with the production of shoes for the various services over the past 15 months."

"At the time of your appointment there was a real need, and we feel that there is still even a greater need, for someone with your qualifications to act, so to speak, as liaison officer between

Coming Events

(Coming Events notices cost little, a cent a word per week, minimum charge 25 cents a week.)

Friday, Feb. 21.—Red Cross dance in the high school auditorium. Max Bowser's orchestra. f151

Wednesday, Feb. 26.—Hot meal supper in the Friends' church from 6 to 8 p.m. Admission 35c. c1w3

Friday, Feb. 28.—Plan to attend the Queenelles Red Cross dance in Belhaven hall. Music by Art West and his orchestra. Refreshments served. Admission 50c per person. c3w2

Tuesday, March 4.—Thorn Rehearsal Lodge will hold a euchre in the R.S.A. bugle band hall. Euchre starts at 8:15. Admission 25c. c1w3

Monday, March 17.—Irish night. St. John's church in town hall. Euchre, dance and entertainment. Art West's orchestra. c6w3

Thursday, March 20, 21.—Red Cross revue, in town hall, under the direction of Mrs. A. N. Belquin. f1w3

Friday, March 21.—A spring festival party (euchre and bridge) will be held in Stuart Scott school at 8 p.m. Refreshments. Admission 25 cents. Auspices Newmarket branch, Home and School association. All are welcome. c1w3

RAISES GIVEN TO EMPLOYEES TOTALLING \$17

NINE TOWN EMPLOYEES BENEFIT AS COUNCIL CONSIDERS WAGES

CUTS ARE RESTORED

Increases in remuneration were granted to nine town employees at a town council meeting on Monday evening.

Practically all recommendations were adopted as presented by the committee chairman. A recommended increase of from \$7 to \$10 in the weekly car allowance of Chief Constable Sloss was changed to \$9. Including this amount, increases totalled \$17 a week.

Increases were adopted unanimously as follows: Road and bridge, Councillor Frank Bowser, chairman, Datus Crowder, \$22 to \$24, Frank Stickland, \$18 to \$20.

It was stated that the town pays half of Mr. Stickland's telephone bill, as it does for all other employees required by the town to have a telephone.

Police, Councillor Wm. Dixon, chairman, Chief Constable James Sloss, wage remains at \$27, car allowance increased from \$7 to \$9. Constable Kenneth Mount, \$22 to \$25, no longer to do extra night a week for which he was paid \$2.13.

Water and light, Councillor Arthur D. Evans, chairman, Angus Morrison, \$22 to \$25, William Rowe, \$22 to \$24, Cephas Andrews, unchanged at \$25, Miss Irene Parks, \$17 to \$18.

Mr. Evans stated that employees of his department would not be getting any more than they had been in the last few months as the result of overtime for extra work. The extra work was over now.

"What do you consider a week?" Mr. Bowser asked.

"Forty-four hours," said Mr. Evans.

"What about holidays?" asked Mayor Dr. L. W. Dales.

"All town employees get one week pay," said Mr. Evans.

Mr. Dales suggested that garages not on the patrolled section of Main St. might secure night patrol protection if they were ready to pay for it.

MORE PEOPLE BORN, MARRIED, BURIED

The largest number of registrations of vital statistics that we have ever had," N. L. Mathews, K.C., clerk and solicitor, stated when a statutory account of \$92.50 for 370 births, deaths and marriages, was before the town council Monday evening.

This amount is paid Mr. Mathews, who employs Miss Saida Millard to do the clerical work.

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Mrs. Elijah Prior Dies, Lived Here 8 Years

A resident here for the last eight years, Mrs. Jean Minorgan Prior, widow of the late Elijah Prior, died at the home of her son, Jas. Prior, Srigley St., on Monday. She was in her 83rd year.

A service was held at her son's residence on Tuesday evening and another service was held this afternoon at the Presbyterian church, Sundridge, with burial in Strong cemetery.

His message consisted of a very simple, direct and stimulating exposition of the first chapter of Ephesians. The central theme of the exposition was that

Town Takes Capital Outlays In Stride, Still Has Surplus

Auditor's Report Proves Occasion For rejoicing As Town Council Sees Finances Improved

In spite of the over-spending of the budget, the town finished 1940 with a surplus of \$594 of current assets over current liabilities. N. L. Mathews, K.C., clerk and treasurer, reported to the town council on Monday evening.

Mr. Mathews was summarizing the report of the auditor, George Vale, which will be printed before the next regular meeting.

"Most committees, with the exception of the property committee, exceeded their budgets," Mr. Mathews stated. "And we did assume quite a bit of expenditure which ordinarily would have been the subject of debenture, drilling test-holes for water, for instance."

"Then it is pay-as-you-go?" queried Councillor A. D. Evans smilingly.

"Yes," agreed Mr. Mathews. "So we start the year with a surplus of \$594. The main reason is the arrears of taxes we collected, because our expenditures did exceed our revenues."

"In 1939 we showed \$31,000 arrears of taxes. In 1940 we collected \$23,500 in arrears and penalties, so that this year we would have only \$8,000 left of the arrears shown in 1939, yet actually our statement shows \$10,300 outstanding."

"The explanation is the tax sale which cleared up the really bad ones which we weren't

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Redmen Blitz Greenshirts From Playoffs, Score Is 13-1

NEWMARKET MEETS POWERFUL MARKHAM ACES TONIGHT

BY JACK PEPPITT

The weak sister of the league expired last Thursday night when Newmarket Redmen swept Sutton out of further competition in the playoffs by sweeping 13 goals into the Greenshirt net. One penalty goal was all that Sutton salvaged from the occasion. The game was played in Sutton and on very soft ice.

Sutton seemed to sense that it was in for a licking and decided that any test of strength was too much of an effort. And so the procession of Newmarket goals went on without a hitch.

When the stakes were counted, Jack Gibbons had three goals, Bill Jelley two, Miles McInnis two, Hamilton two, Gunn two and Broughton two. This was the first time Gunn had entered into the score sheet, his first pair of the season.

Besides the barrage of goals, two fights enlivened the game. However, they didn't amount to much because the O'Toole's and Moriartys weren't mixed up in them. Sutton didn't seem to care by how much they were to be beaten. They felt just lazy kick-a-daisy all night.

By winning this game, Newmarket earned the right to meet

HAS "ENGLISH" BIRTHDAY



Pte. Vern S. Clark, son of Mrs. Henry Clark of Newmarket, and one of the first local boys to arrive in England, celebrated his birthday recently. This is the second "English" birthday he has celebrated. In a recent letter home, Pte. Clark says the boys of his unit are kept busy, but are treated "royally."

the powerful Markham hockey team in the Newmarket arena tonight. They play again at Markham on Monday evening.

ACTS CROWDED INTO DAZZLING B.W.V.F. SHOW

ADD PROFESSIONALS TO GREAT ARENA ICE SHOW

"DIZZY DUKE" COMES

Newmarket night at Newmarket arena, Friday, Feb. 28, is going over with a bang. Judging by the demand for tickets, the arena will be packed. The net proceeds go to the Telegram British War Victims' Fund, a worthy cause. The event is sponsored by the Newmarket Arena Co.

The program as announced last week consists of fancy skating by Granite skating club members of Toronto, musical numbers by Newmarket Citizens' band, demonstration by the R.S.A. bugle band (forming the cross), bugling and drumming.

As an added attraction the committee have since secured three professional skaters and 19 costumed artists of Toronto. Everyone will want to see the tandem skating act, skating on stilts, barrel jumping, the comedy act, "The Dizzy Duke," the daring act of jumping through double hoops of fire, and finally a big special ballet act by the 19 costumed artists.

Don't forget to buy your ticket for the big event, including participation in the big drawing for \$200 in valuable prizes. This ticket admits you to the arena (standing room only) or you can exchange it in part payment for a reserved seat at Morrison's Men's Wear, where the plan is now open.

Jim Hunter of the Toronto Telegram is expected to act as master of ceremonies.

Admission (including draw) tickets may be bought at Morrison's, Bowser's, Bank of Toronto or Brunton's.

"Would you have to do any piping at Cotter St.," asked Mr. Bowser.

"If we get 300 gallons a minute

we don't need the Srigley St. well except as a standby," said Mr. Evans.

"It is a reserve that we are seeking," Mr. Vale said.

"We seriously recommend consideration of this proposition," said Mr. Evans.

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"We have enough that we can consider constructing another well near the Cotter St. well," said Mr. Vale.

"If the town council will consider an early special meeting letting a contract to the International Water Supply Co. for the construction of a deep-water well near the Cotter St. well," replied Mr. Evans.

"We didn't have the complaints before the Srigley St. well was constructed," said Reeve Fred A. Lund.

"The Srigley St. well stirred up the mains," said Mr. Evans.

"We didn't hear anything to what we would have heard if we had pumped the Green Lane water into the mains at the north end and started up all the slime in the mains."

"Would you be able to stop using the Srigley St. well?" asked Dr. Dales.

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"If the military camp is not enlarged would we need it?" asked Mr. Bowser.

"Yes, we are all interested in the town growing," said Mr. Evans.

"That is the first thing industry wants to know," said Councilor Wm. Dixon.

The Srigley St. well needs cleaning out, Mr. Evans informed the council. He said that it was five years since it had been cleaned out.

in view of the cause at stake. Your resources will be lent to the government to be returned to you after the war with interest.

"Let us stop criticizing the government's actions—see what it led to in France—the curtailment of free speech."

"I trust that Newmarket will not be found wanting or shirk anything in its duty to the mother land."

Newmarket Has Long Way To Go To Reach War Savings Objective, But Well Started

The accompanying "barometer" shows where Newmarket stands in the war savings pledge campaign. The objective is 1,500 pledges. Pledges so far are: 588 employee and 72 bank plan.

P. J. Tod, committee chairman, appeals to every citizen to do his part in carrying the campaign through to a successful conclusion—whether as a canvasser or a pledger.

Town Employees Participate Pledges

Objective 1,500

Achieved 668

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A GOOD START BUT ONLY A START

In increasing the wages of several town employees the town council seems to have given careful consideration to its action. One or two of the wage increases were said to be restoration of depression cuts. An employer should pay as good wages as he is able to pay, and in judging what the town of Newmarket is able to pay one does not need to look at the income of the town's poorest citizen. It is enough that the town itself is in a healthy financial condition, as shown by the auditor's report.

The town is fortunate, indeed, in its employees. Some of them are underpaid, according to the standards prevailing in private business. Others perhaps are paid better than if they were otherwise employed. The main concern of the town council should be to strike a happy medium in its wages, neither seeking to set the pace for other employers nor failing to recognize and reward special ability and knowledge.

We trust that the council will have the same attitude toward that other group of town employees, the teachers of our schools, when school estimates come before the council, and that there will not be the usual effort to pare the education budgets. There are still teachers who have not had depression cuts restored, (some high school teachers receive less now than they did in 1933), and there are teachers who are receiving scandalously low wages for the highly skilled type of work that they are doing. There is one school employee receiving less than the lawful minimum wage. With the mayor, Dr. Dales, recently graduated to the council from the high school board, there is reason to hope that the council this year will credit the school boards with the same good judgment with regard to their employees which the council believes itself to possess with regard to its own employees.

WAR AIMS

In an interesting address before the Aurora board of trade, reported on our Aurora page, Mr. Wilfred Adams states that one of the lessons of history is to judge slowly. Two weeks ago we heard Lieut.-Col. G. O. Fallis preach a sermon on the same subject: "Judge not by appearances, judge righteous judgments." Mr. Adams then ignores his own advice to declare that Mr. Winston Churchill is "the leading figure of our times."

It is not our purpose to point out Mr. Adams' seeming inconsistency but to emphasize how many people today do not take Mr. Adams' advice, to judge slowly. It may turn out that Mr. Churchill will go on to great accomplishments and that history will declare him the greatest figure of our times, but Mr. Churchill has still to say and do the things which will establish him as the greatest man of the day.

If we understand "our times" to mean the first half of the 20th century, there will be a large field from which to choose, including Edison, Einstein, Shaw, Galsworthy, Wells, Barrie, Wilson, Roosevelt, Lindbergh, Lenin, Stalin, Hitler, Mussolini, Gandhi, Kagawa, Fosdick, Mott, Paderewski and a dozen others of whom our readers will think.

We don't include the name of Lloyd George, great a leader as he was during the last war. He was not only out-powered by Woodrow Wilson during the last year or two of the war and at Versailles, but his stock has gone down steadily since. Wilson was fortunate enough, so far as his chances for permanent fame are concerned, to pass on to his reward (died 1924) before it was fully realized that his feet, like the rest of mankind's, were of a playful texture, and events today, with the United States in fact engaged in another European war, are vindicating Wilson's stand for continued United States participation in European affairs through the League of Nations and are building Wilson's greatness.

Is Mr. Churchill the greatest man of our times? Certainly he is a great war leader. His fighting sentences and his John Bull profile have the united support of the people of the United Kingdom. With England in the "front line" a soldier-politician is the ideal leader for the British people.

A biographer describes Mr. Churchill as an opportunist with a great gift for publicity. Even his New York accident of a few years ago, when a taxi-driver ran him down, he turned into a triumph, says the same writer. In a recent interview with the Duke of Windsor, reported in the Toronto Star, Gordon Sinclair asked the former king if it would not have been different if Churchill had been prime minister at the time of the abdication crisis. The Duke of Windsor is not sure of that, Sinclair reports, but the interview recalls that Churchill was reported ready to form a government in support of Edward. Churchill, we think, had he been in office at the time, would have acted as did Baldwin, that other John Bull. To take a different stand from his party leader to secure office would not have been the act of a great man.

Mr. Churchill's Mississippi speech thrilled us, not because of the words, but because of the hope of a great step forward, a union of the English-speaking peoples, which that speech raised. Most of his utterances, however, lack positive idealism. In the last war Woodrow Wilson prepared

the way for the enemy surrender, when he asked for a new world order, with fair treatment for all nations, regardless of the part they had taken in the war. Mr. Churchill two Sundays ago warned Bulgaria that the victors would not forget if she helped the Axis now. That, to our mind, is likely to stiffen the resistance of the people in enemy countries, rather than to turn them against their governments in the belief that Britain is fighting, not Britain's cause, but democracy's cause.

We are with those who think that the Allies make a psychological mistake when they refuse to define war aims. Our first war aim, says Mr. Churchill, is to be worthy of the love of the people of the British dominions. The love is there, but it waits hesitantly to know Mr. Churchill's other war aims. An air marshal suggests that a "little healthy hatred of the Hun" is what is needed in Canada to stir up war enthusiasm. Healthy idealism, noble war aims, would deeply stir people on this side of the Atlantic, and would, at the same time, unlike "hatred of the Hun," undermine the German and Italian governments. Which is printed on the pamphlets which we distribute over enemy countries?

Mr. Churchill's use of the Bible to make his joke about Italy, "Knock and it shall be opened unto you," was in contrast to the use Mr. King made of the Bible some months ago in an inspirational war address. We have urged that Mr. King should seek membership in an imperial war cabinet, but he has announced his opposition to such a proposal. Why does Mr. King hold back? If he were sure that Mr. Churchill would give equally wise leadership when it comes time to sit down at the peace table, we doubt if he would hesitate. It may be that he is now seeking to keep clear of entanglements which might eventually pull down his government. Mr. King is a student of history.

"WE" GET ON THE BAND-WAGON

Premier Hepburn says that "we have reduced" the municipal debt in Ontario during the last few years by a substantial amount. If he had said that he had reduced the mill rate he would be correct, but in view of the fact that he insisted that the provincial subsidy in lieu of income tax, etc., be used in reduction of the mill rate, Mr. Hepburn's statement that he has reduced municipal indebtedness is unearned participation. Mr. Hepburn increased the provincial debt, and Dr. Boyd and company, in Newmarket, Dr. Boulding and company, in Aurora, and other debt doctors in other municipalities reduced the municipal debt throughout the province.

We make an exception of the few municipalities the Hepburn government helped to arrange a compromise with their creditors.

To the royal "we," the editorial "we," the Lindbergh "we," must now be added the Hepburn "we." "We" have reduced municipal debts, says Mr. Hepburn.

A THOUGHT FOR THE FUTURE

The sight of a volunteer fireman on a slippery roof at Richmond Hill on Sunday in his Sunday best made us appreciate a little more fully the editorial which we reprint on this page from the Smiths Falls Record-News. One point we call attention to—but not with the idea that it be adopted here at the present time—the Smiths Falls suggestion that a fire-hall caretaker be engaged to answer telephone calls and keep the equipment in shape. Our thought is that if the town ever reaches the point where it must engage a man to answer police calls it might combine the duties with a fire-hall caretaker. Having a full-time employee at the fire-hall might result in a reduction in the key rate for fire insurance in Newmarket.

MAIN ST. CALLS TO YOU AND ME

In preparing the budget many citizens will trust that the finance committee will provide for the Evans-Bowser \$500 experimental widening of a section of Main St. With the military training camp here, Newmarket's Main St. will be more congested next summer than it has ever been before.

WHAT OTHERS THINK

OUR VOLUNTEER FIREMEN

(Smiths Falls Record-News)

Last Thursday evening the editor of the Record-News had the pleasure and privilege of attending a dinner in the local fire hall as a guest of the Rideau Fire Company. The event was permeated with good fellowship and the Smiths Falls firemen proved to be most congenial hosts.

We are not only glad we attended this function, because of the tasty repast and fellowship, but information relating to our firefighters was imparted of which we were completely ignorant and undoubtedly is unknown to citizens in general. It was a surprise to learn that the firemen were compelled to pay the premiums, out of their own pockets, on insurance policies covering them while answering a call. In our opinion this is unfair and this expense should be borne by the municipality.

New equipment is needed, a ladder truck and a fire net in particular, also additional hose. But the excuse given for the non-purchase is lack of finances. It should be remembered that money expended for fire equipment is money well spent. Such needed appliances may not only be the means of checking a would-be conflagration, but may save a life. One piece of equipment that the local fire company should possess is a pulmotor. Some time ago there was an intimation that this apparatus would be purchased through the kindness of the water commission—may it be so.

Periodically we have eulogized the local fire-fighters. They really may be termed as "unsung heroes." Wonder if citizens stop to realize that these volunteers for fighting fires in Smiths Falls—yes and even in the surrounding district—are on call 24 hours each day, every day in the week. The remuneration received is a mere pittance.

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There are times when they are compelled to take equipment needs. This fire company is one of their lives in their hands in order to check a blaze. Yet there are those who will criticize at the least provocation.

We believe no other volunteer fire brigade answers calls more promptly. Their speed in rushing to a fire would, at times, do credit to a full-time paid organization. Yet there are those who will emit criticism because the firefighters do not reach the scene of the blaze as speedily as the fault-finders think they should. If such cases are fact, there is a reason and that reason was clearly explained at the dinner. It is the manner in which fire calls are sent in.

Citizens will insist on using the telephone, when they should take advantage of the alarm box system, which entails considerable expense to install. In phoning in alarms, there are times, perhaps due to excitement, when the number of the street is not given, with the result the firemen have had to "scout" around before it could be located—hence time was lost. Other instances have been, information given indicated a large blaze, when after arriving at the scene with all the equipment, it was discovered to be just a small chimney fire. If citizens would be a little more considerate in this regard it would be of great assistance to the firemen.

Another suggestion raised was the matter of engaging a caretaker for the fire-hall. The expenditure for such an employee would pay dividends, as he would not only be available to answer phone calls, but would keep the fire-hall in proper condition.

Chief Miller and his volunteer firemen are worthy of full appreciation and co-operation from the entire citizenry. They are performing yeoman service with no consideration of self, and at the risk of their lives, and we urge that the town council give most favorable consideration to the

CHURCHILL TO THE WORLD

(Kirkland Lake Northern News)

"The whole British empire has been proud of the mother country, and they long to be with us over here in even larger numbers. We have been deeply conscious of the love for us which has flown from the dominions of the crown across the broad ocean spaces. There is the first of our war aims: To be worthy of that love and to preserve it.

"All through these dark winter months the enemy have had the power to drop three or four tons of bombs on us for every ton we could send to Germany in return. We are arranging so that presently this will be rather the other way around. But meanwhile, London and our big cities have had to stand a pounding.

"They remind me of the British squares at Waterloo. They are not squares of soldiers. They do not wear scarlet coats. They are just ordinary, English, Scottish and Welsh folks, men, women and children, standing steadfastly together. But their spirit is the same; their glory is the same, and in the end their victory will be greater than far-famed Waterloo.

"We have broken the back of the winter. The daylight grows. The Royal Air Force grows, and is already certainly master of the daylight air.

"The attacks may be sharper, but they will be shorter. There will be more opportunities for work and service of all kinds, more opportunities for life. So if our first victory was the repulse of the invader, our second was the frustration of his acts of terror and of torture against our people at home."



JUNIOR FEELS A BIT SKEPTICAL

BY RUTH DINGMAN HESS

be here before the crowd and get in on the ground floor, so to speak."

"I'm certainly glad to see you," Junior told him solemnly. "It gives me great hope that what I've been told is going to come true after all. I must go and congratulate my parents on their accurate forecasting."

"That young bird seems rather unusual, doesn't he?" commented the Crow to the Nuthatch after the Chickadee had flown away.

"Yes, he doesn't believe in swallowing all he hears—said the Nuthatch. "And while I'm here," he added, "it seems a good time to give you a word of counsel. I hope that you Crows made some New Year's resolutions this year and aren't going to be bad neighbors, bothering other birds and racketing around, deafening the rest of us with your cawing. And I warn you not to try to destroy any of the smaller birds' young ones in the nests this spring, or they will get together and go after you."

"We don't mind if some of you join forces and drive away the Great-Horned Owl who is out in the big woods though. Try to do it, if you have time, will you?"

"That was quite a lecture," squawked the Crow. "I'm afraid I wasn't listening to parts of it. But if that Great-Horned Owl annoys us we may oblige you."

"He raised his big wings and slowly flapped off, cawing as he went."

"He's a sly old fellow," the Nuthatch said to himself as he hunted for another likely-looking tree-trunk. "I hate to admit it, but I think those Crows have brains."

"Well, I'll admit I've never seen the spring come, and for the old folks to be so confident that it is coming at such and such a time and for them to expect certain of their friends back one week and others back the week after that seems to me silly—I just can't believe it," Junior said. "How can you be so sure that spring is coming? It certainly doesn't look like it, now, with all this snow on the ground."

"That Crow we just heard was plenty sure about it coming or he wouldn't be here," the Nuthatch reminded him. "It's a funny thing but spring always does come. It's never failed yet. And although the birds may be a few days later returning one year than another, their return never varies a great deal."

"There is our friend the Crow alighting quite near us," said Junior. "Let's ask him."

The two small birds flew over to the big Crow's tree.

"Do you expect the spring this year?" asked Junior timidly. "I beg your pardon," said the Crow in a hoarse voice.

Junior repeated his question, still timidly.

"My dear young fellow," asked the Crow. "Have you the misfortune to be feeble-minded? How distressing for your parents!"

"Now, now, Mr. Crow, don't be sarcastic," the Nuthatch advised him boldly. "This young bird has an inquiring mind and he finds it very difficult to have faith in the coming of spring, never having experienced it himself, you understand."

"Oh, so that's it," said the Crow more good-naturedly. "Well, young Chickadee, I think I can safely assure you that spring will be here in a few weeks now. I'm really a bit ahead of it, but a few Crows always come rather early just to

\$1,000,000,000 during the fiscal year beginning in April, according to Hon. J. L. Ilsley, minister of finance. Non-war expenditure is estimated at \$433,131,000.

Reports came this week of a German sea raider sinking six ships of a British convoy near Madeira last week, when the warship, flying a British flag joined the convoy. It sailed along with it for a time and then opened fire. It was believed that about 200 seamen lost their lives.

50 YEARS AGO

From Era file, Feb. 20, 1891

A surprise party called on Mrs. Codlin on Wednesday night.

Mrs. Richard Maines of Keswick is visiting at the home of Mr. Jesse Hughes.

Miss Clara Johnson of Stouffville was visiting Miss Wallace last week.

Messrs. Herbert Binns and Charles Botsford of Toronto were in town over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bradford of Toronto spent over Sunday with Mrs. Bradford's sister, Mrs. John Montgomery.

Mrs. Williams of Toronto is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Srigley, for a month.

Miss Lena Millard will be the guest of Mrs. Sanderson, Richmond Hill, for the next three weeks.

Rev. W. W. Smith and Mr. G. Jackson represented North York at the West York Sunday-school convention at Richmond Hill on Wednesday.

Over \$1,500 worth of machinery has arrived for the Novelty Works, and more is expected this week.

Miss Florence Playter and Miss Nellie Knowles of Newmarket were the guests of Miss E. Pearson, Queensville, last week.

BORN—In East Gwillimbury, on Jan. 25, to Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Cook, a daughter.

MARRIED—At Queensville, Feb. 12, by Rev. Mr. McKey, Mr. Wm. J. Lundy of Newmarket to Miss Mary E. Odlin, daughter of the late Thos. Odlin.

MARRIED—At the residence of the bride's father, by Rev. Canon Farcomb, Feb. 18, Mr. Fred Wasley of Whitechurch to Miss Jessie May Salter of East Gwillimbury.

MARRIED—On Feb. 13, by Rev. L. W. Hill, at the residence of Mr. Reid, Thos. R. Milligan of Newmarket to Miss Louise Sweezie of King.

The following two letters from Newmarket boys with the C.A.S.F. outside of Canada were received this week by Wm. White, vice-president of the Newmarket Veterans' Association, acknowledging gifts sent them recently. Cpl. Jack Withrow is in England and Walter Gilroy is in Newfoundland.

A card was also received from Sapper J. T. Galbraith from England thanking the Veterans for cigarettes. "I shall write soon and give you a description of the blitz in 1941," he says.

William White, Esq., Newmarket Veterans' Assoc., Newmarket, Ontario.

Dear Bill: In good time for Christmas I received a parcel bearing the name of your association and of the Newmarket Women's Institute. Today I received a package of 300 cigarettes from the Veterans.

Pledge for War Savings

'SALADA' TEA

POLICE COURT
RETired FARMER'S WIFE
FINED FOR ANON. NOTES

"I am binding you over in the sum of \$200 to keep the peace for one year and your husband will be responsible for your actions. He will see that you make no more threats or carry them out." Such was the sentence his worship, Magistrate W. F. Woodliffe, placed on Mrs. Agnes Isobel Rogers, Joseph St., in local police court here on Tuesday. Mrs. Rogers and her husband, Norman Rogers, moved into Newmarket from their Yonge and Huron farm last fall.

Mrs. Rogers was charged with sending three letters to her cousin, Alex Miller, purchaser of the Rogers farm, in which death to his family and destruction to his buildings by fire were threatened.

In his testimony the complainant stated that he had lived on a farm in Barrie for 13 years before locating in Newmarket.

"Mrs. Rogers and her husband owned a farm on Huron St." he explained. "About April 1 the accused phoned my home in Barrie. She wanted us to come down to Newmarket that night, which I

did. Mrs. Rogers wanted to know if we couldn't help them out in some way. She said that the mortgagees were going to foreclose and that they had no money to pay them off. The horses were over 20 years old and they had no seed. I advised them to hold the mortgagees off for one year and said that I would bring down horses and seed. They offered me the farm for \$6,000 but I didn't want to buy it."

The witness said that he provided the seed and planted it, for which he had been paid. "Later I was informed that they had sold the farm and that the party was to pay for it on the 15th of August," he said. "Mrs. Rogers sent for me again and said that the deal had fallen through. They again asked me to buy the farm. I bought it along with its stock for \$7,200."

"How much cash did you pay for it?" asked Crown Attorney N. L. Mathews, K.C.

"I paid the mortgage of \$3,500 and gave the accused a mortgage for the balance," replied the complainant.

"You are now living on that farm?" "Yes."

"With the exception of Mrs. Rogers have you ever had any trouble with anyone since you

came to Newmarket?" "No, and I never had any trouble with anyone in Barrie either."

Mr. Mathews produced three letters, one of which was dated Allandale, November, 1941, but bore the postmark, Newmarket, Nov. 23, 1940. The letter was addressed to "Mr. Alex Miller" but was unsigned. Two other letters, which were signed "Ku Klux Klan," threatened "you will all be burnt to a cinder," if the Millers did not get off the farm and "stop cheating" Mr. and Mrs. Rogers.

Mr. Miller said that he turned the letters over to Mr. Mathews in the latter's office. He denied ever cheating anyone in any deal and said that although he refused to let the defendant have a piece of land in the orchard part of the farm, he agreed to let her have a piece in another location for a garden.

"What effect did these letters have on your family?" asked the crown.

"All winter we lived in dread of being burned or shot," replied the complainant. "My wife had a nervous breakdown and had to go to the doctor."

Cross-examined by defence counsel, Frank Moore, the witness stated that he had bought the farm of his own accord and was satisfied with the deal. He said that he never had any altercation with Mrs. Rogers other than a discussion of minor details concerning the deal. He had no knowledge of any reason whatsoever why anyone should write the letters and did not definitely know who did write them.

Mr. Miller, wife of the complainant, told his worship that she had been in a nervous state as the result of the letters. She said that she was entirely in agreement with the evidence given by her husband and produced two receipts, samples of Mrs. Rogers' handwriting, which she had found in the house on the farm.

Chief Constable James Sloss, who investigated the letters received by Mr. and Mrs. Miller, testified that on Dec. 11 he had been called to Mr. Mathews' office, where he met the complainant and his wife and received the first two letters. The following day he was given the third letter. "With Constable Watt, I went to the home of Mrs. Rogers on Joseph St. and explained to the defendant that she was being questioned about notes received by Mr. Miller."

The police officer said that he had duly cautioned the defendant before asking her to write the words "Ku Klux Klan." He produced in court a paper with Mrs. Rogers' handwriting on it and the word "Klan" was spelled with a "C," the same as it was spelled at the end of the threatening letters.

Constable Sloss said he had visited the defendant's home again on Jan. 3, and asked her if she had written the letters, which she denied. She gave him two books containing her handwriting. These books, the receipts, and the threatening letters, the officer took to a handwriting expert in Toronto.

Constable Ronald Watt, who assisted Chief Sloss on Dec. 12 in the investigation of the letters received by the Millers, said that he was present when Mrs. Rogers wrote the words "Ku Klux Klan." "Mrs. Rogers was asked if she had any envelopes," he said. "She said that she had some but couldn't find them. She went into another room, I started to follow, but stopped to talk to Mr. Rogers. She came back, reached on top of the buffet for something and went out. I followed her and asked her what she had behind her back and she said 'nothing.' I found she had a box of envelopes."

"From the examination of the three letters and from the handwriting which is admitted to be that of Mrs. Rogers, to what conclusion did you come?" the crown asked O. B. Stanton, Toronto, a handwriting expert.

Mr. Stanton said that the threatening letters were in a dis-

guised handwriting. "My opinion is that the hand that wrote the exhibited writing also wrote the exhibits one, two and three (the threatening letters)."

Questioned by her counsel, Mr. Moore, Mrs. Rogers denied writing the threatening letters, but acknowledged that the other exhibits were in her handwriting. She said that she had no animosity towards Mr. and Mrs. Miller and thought that they had treated her well. She had no reason to feel that she and her husband had been cheated and did not know of any reason why anyone else should think they had been cheated. She gave as the reason for leaving the farm that both she and her husband were in ill health.

Norman Rogers, husband of the defendant, told his worship that he did not see his wife write the letters and had no knowledge of her doing so.

In summing up the case, Mr. Moore stated that he was not satisfied with the evidence of the handwriting. "It is based on few familiar characters," he said. "You can have two experts who will disagree as to writing and the motion of letters. There is no motive. Why would this woman write the letters? I think you should look for some other source of the letters." "I am sorry, Mr. Moore, if you do not agree," stated his worship. "Mr. Stanton is an expert. I feel that I must accept his evidence. I am satisfied, on the evidence, that this woman sent the letters."

"Mrs. Rogers," continued his worship, "you could have been charged with a more serious offence. Under another section you would have been sent to prison for a term."

Pleading guilty to a charge of leaving the scene of an accident in Vaughan township on Jan. 31, Milton Howlett, Newmarket, was fined \$25 and costs of \$19 or 30 days in jail.

"I was driving north on Yonge St. at about a quarter to eight in the evening," stated the complainant. Fred A. Prindle, Hamilton. "About a mile south of Bond Lake, a car coming towards me swerved over to my side of the road and hit my rear fender. I got out of the car, but the other car had gone. I had to pull my fender off the wheel before I could start my car again."

"Was the impact noticeable at all?" asked Mr. Mathews. "As for the impact, I can't actually recall it," replied the complainant. "I didn't feel it. I felt the wheel and fender dragging. I had expected that I would have been struck in front. I reported the accident to the police."

"Did you see the accused again?" "Yes, he came to my office and offered to settle. He said that he had struck my car."

Constable Ronald Watt said that he investigated the accident. "I was proceeding south on Yonge St." the defendant, Milton Howlett, told his worship. "As I passed the complainant's car I heard a click. It stopped further down the road. It was too icy to stop sooner. I had some soldiers in the car. I didn't know that I had struck a car."

"In fact, you borrowed the car that you were driving from Mr. Milton Koffler's garage?" asked Mr. Mathews. "Yes," answered the defendant.

"Did he know that you had the car?" "No."

"Why didn't you report the accident to the police?" asked his worship.

"I thought that you didn't have to report unless the damage done was over \$50."

Charged with breaking and entering Cousins' dairy, in Aurora, James Lalaton, Toronto, was remanded until Feb. 25 on bail of \$1,000.

Pleading guilty to a charge of carrying a load on his truck in excess of the amount allowed by his license, James Hewitt, Collingwood, told his worship that he had a family of ten to keep and was

handling scrap-iron in order to stay off relief."

County Constable Aubrey Flury, who stopped the truck in Aurora, said that there was an overload of 3,400 lbs. in the defendant's truck.

"According to your permit you are allowed to carry but one ton," his worship asked Mr. Hewitt.

"I hadn't enough money to get more load put on," was the reply.

"To get a permit to carry more tonnage it costs about \$18 for each extra ton, I could only afford a permit for one ton."

"Is this your first offence?"

"Yes."

"I am letting you off light this time. You must not carry any more than your permit calls for. If you continue in this business you must get your license increased."

His worship fined the defendant \$10 and costs and gave him two weeks in which to pay.

Magistrate Woodliffe ordered W. J. Helmckay, Newmarket, to pay Ira Leeder, also of Newmarket, \$23 in wages owing him. Mr. Leeder told his worship that the defendant had owed him \$25 but paid him \$2. He refused to pay him the rest of the money. "I also turned in my car as part payment on a truck for Mr. Helmckay," said the witness. "He gave me a note for \$225."

In his defence, Mr. Helmckay stated that he had been in the transport business and had hired Mr. Leeder as driver. He acknowledged that he owed the complainant the money but said that Mr. Leeder had broken a head-light worth about \$18, for which he had promised to pay. This, Mr. Leeder did not do, he said.

"Who paid for the repainting of the light?" asked the crown. The people that bought my business," replied the defendant.

Mr. Helmckay was required to pay the court costs. He agreed to deduct the money for the damaged light from the amount owing to Mr. Leeder in the note.

Magistrate Woodliffe fined George Ball, Uxbridge, \$10 and costs or ten days for failing to buy a 1941 driver's license.

and Mrs. James McMorn.

Mr. Wm. Keffer has returned home after spending the past week in Toronto.

Misses Orma Lyons and Shirley Anning spent Sunday at Bracebridge.

Miss Dorothy Webster is visiting at home for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Boyd and Allan spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bert Boyd and Gwenwynn.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Black of Bradford called on relatives on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Milne spent Sunday in Toronto.

Friends are sorry to hear that Mr. Fred Webster is sick in the hospital.

Misses Laura Black and Hazel Sharpe and Mr. Merland Deavitt attended the Y.P.U. skating party at Aurora on Monday evening.

The Glenville Y.P.U. spent an enjoyable evening at the home of Mrs. S. Sommerville on Tuesday at a Valentine party.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hartman and Suzanne spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Sharpe.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Broderick visited at Mr. J. Smith's, Mount Albert, on Sunday.

Misses Edna and Dorothy Edwards spent the weekend at their home here.

Mrs. Arthur Edwards visited her niece, Mrs. Orval Saunders, Newmarket, on Sunday evening. Mrs. Saunders had the misfortune to fall on the ice and break her wrist.

Roy Edwards is helping L. S. Mount prepare for their sale.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Allison, Holt, visited the Barkers on Sunday and attended church here.

Church service next Sunday will be held at 3 p.m., and Sunday-school at 2 p.m. Everyone is welcome at both services.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Fairbairn of Sharon spent Sunday at the O. Stickwood home.

Hogs were steady on a live-weight basis at \$8.35.

Sharon

The Red Cross euchre was a decided success. Twenty-one tables played.

Mr. and Mrs. Luck of Richmond Hill visited Mrs. Luck's mother, Mrs. Ethel Evans, on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Stevens of Weston and Miss Alice Ramsay of Downsview visited Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Ramsay on Sunday.

Miss Grace Oliver of Toronto spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. Ida Oliver.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Fife spent Wednesday in Toronto.

Mr. Robert Houston of Toronto spent Sunday with Mr. Donald Kiteley.

Miss Gertrude Grose of Toronto spent the weekend at her home.

Mrs. Garnet Caster spent Saturday in Newmarket.

Albert spent the weekend at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Tate and Jacqueline of Sutton visited Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tate on Sunday.

The service at the United church next Sunday will be held at 7 p.m., and Sunday-school will be held at 10 a.m. Everyone is welcome at both services.

Mr. and Mrs. Mrs. Russell Strasler of Queensville on Wednesday, Feb. 28.

Hillside school and Union Street school are holding a joint skating party at Queensville rink today, Thursday.

Father: "First of all, my boy, realize that my time is limited. Secondly, say what you want. Thirdly, be short."

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Mr. Devey and family visited the Cunninghams over the weekend.

The community women's prayer meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Norris of Queensville on Wednesday.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Russell Strasler of Queensville on Wednesday, Feb. 28.

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AT LAST

MERCHANTS in 15 Ontario towns now have a **YARDSTICK** by which they can measure the job which their local newspaper is doing and the value which they receive when they buy advertising.

FIFTEEN PROGRESSIVE ONTARIO WEEKLIES have now joined the Audit Bureau of Circulations and their "NET PAID" circulations are listed in "Canadian Advertising" as follows:

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Town, Town Population Net Paid Circulation

Barrie, 9,394 4,611

Bowmanville, 3,850 1,762

Brampton, 5,524 2,120

Hanover, 3,215 1,272

Kincardine, 2,468 1,481

Kirkland Lake, 20,000 3,505

Listowel, 2,982 1,641

Midland-Penetang, 10,500 2,218

Newmarket Era, 3,750 1,166

Orangeville, 2,665 2,106

Pembroke, 11,800 3,189

Picton, 3,580 2,511

St. Marys, 4,017 2,287

Simcoe, 6,300 4,917

Tillson

WANTED
A small house and lot for sale
in Newmarket. For over 25 years
and additional years, one
house and one additional
house have been put in.

LOST

Last-Ski, between 4 Water St.,
Newmarket, and Newmarket ski
clubhouse. Please notify Mrs. H.
C. Graham, 4 Water St. *1w3

Last—Last Friday, a small brown
leather key-case, containing five
keys. Scripture engraved on side.
Leave at Era office please. *1w3

SALE REGISTER

Tuesday, Feb. 26—Auction sale of
farm stock, implements, hay,
grain, harness, etc., the property of
L. S. Mount, lot 5, concession 4,
East Gwillimbury. Sale at 1 p.m.
S.T. No reserve as farm has been
sold. Terms cash. F. N. Smith,
auctioneer. E. A. Boyd and Ken-
neth Mount, clerks. c1w3

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Store Fire Breaks Out, Two Families Driven From Homes

The Aurora fire brigade were called to fight one of the heaviest smoke fires seen here in years shortly after one o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

Thought to have been caused by defective wiring, fire broke out in the storage cellar of the Dominion store at Yonge and Wellington St., and spread into the centre partitions of the building. Dense clouds of smoke forced two families from their apartments over the store and Ross Mosley from his barbershop in the rear of the building.

Mr. and Mrs. Cline Wood and their three children, Doreen, 8, Kay, 5, and Murray, four months old, had a few weeks previously occupied the front apartment, while the rear apartment had been occupied for many years by Mrs. Annie Hart, her daughter, Mrs. Bertha Napier, and her granddaughter, Miss Marie Napier.

Both families obtained temporary shelter with neighbors, but were enabled to return to their apartments late in the evening. Murray Wood, aged four months, and Mrs. Napier were both suffering from illness and confined to their homes, but suffered no ill effects. The two apartments were damaged by smoke and water to an extent not yet known. The kitchen in the Woods' apartment was badly damaged.

The Dominion store, under the management of John Mathewson, had stock on hand believed to be in the neighborhood of \$4,500. Actual loss here is not known, but many of the articles were of a perishable nature, while all goods in the cellar and store-room were damaged by smoke or water. The act belonging to the store, who was in the cellar, was drowned by the water.

The building, which is owned by Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Gregory of Toronto, former Aurora residents, was damaged at a figure believed to be between \$500 and \$1,000. Damage to Mosley's barbershop was slight.

Firemen, under the leadership of Fire Chief Harry Jones, fought the fire with chemicals, while the brigades' gas masks enabled the firemen to enter the building and handle things more effectively. Fire Chief Wesley Osborne of Newmarket happened to be in town on business at the time and had an opportunity of watching the Aurora brigade in action.

Insurance adjustors were soon on the scene, but it will be some days before the exact loss is actually determined.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Fred Teasdale, and young son, Warden, of Toronto, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Teasdale, Temperance St.

Mrs. C. G. Southmayd and Miss Grace Southmayd of Toronto spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fry, Temperance St.

Miss Margaret McDonald, Wellington St., is spending a few days in Toronto.

Mrs. Edward Teasdale of St. Catharines, the former Katherine Wood, whose husband is an Aurora boy, is ill at York county hospital. Her condition is reported as progressing satisfactorily.

Pte. Theodore Bull of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders spent the weekend at his home.

Miss Mary Elliott of Toronto spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. J. Elliott, Wellington St.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kirkland of Toronto spent Sunday with Mrs. Kirkland's mother, Mrs. M. Walton, Yonge St.

Alfred Bolby of the R.C.A.F., Brantford, spent the weekend at his home.

On Friday evening, Mrs. Arthur Egan, Metcalfe St., entertained at a jolly St. Valentine's party for her fellow women employees at the T. Blomar Shoe Co.

Miss Florence Clubine, R.N., of Thornhill, is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. Wismer, Catharine Ave.

Pte. Wilfred White of the Dufford-Haldimand Rifles spent a few days last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred White, Church St.

Mrs. Douglas Case of Toronto, a former Aurora resident, was in town last Thursday.

Pte. Thor. Smith, of the staff of North Bay training centre, returned north on Saturday after spending a few days leave at his home.

Pte. Andrew Rose of the 1st Irish regiment, Camp Borden, spent the weekend at his home.

Pte. Donald Judd of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, Niagara, spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Judd, Larmont St.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McMahon of Toronto spent the weekend with Mrs. M. McMahon, Larmont St.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Findlay of Mount Forest were in town on Saturday.

Miss Muriel Gibney and Miss Agnes Gladman of Newmarket spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. J. Morton.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant McCaughan and Miss Bonnie McCaughan spent the weekend with friends at Thameford, Ont.

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Miss Jean Sanderson of the high school staff is confined to her residence with illness.

Miss Beryl Phillips, Yonge St., spent Sunday at Uxbridge with her sister, Mrs. A. Martin, and Jack Bradbury of the R.C.A.F., Jarvis, spent a few days this week at his home.

Sgt. James Murray of the North Bay training centre spent Tuesday and Wednesday at his home.

Miss Barbara McCall of Toronto is visiting her aunt, Mrs. James Marshall.

SOLDIER BREAKS LEG

Word has been received that Pte. Theodore Bull of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, Niagara camp, slipped and fell on the ice while on guard duty, fracturing his leg. He is confined to a hospital in St. Catharines. Last weekend he spent here with his family.

A.H.S. Basketballers Move To Top of League

Aurora high school senior and junior basketball teams moved to the top of both sections of the North York interscholastic league by scoring two brilliant wins over Richmond Hill high school on the latter team's floor last Friday.

The junior win was expected, but the senior win over last year's champions came by way of a surprise, with Norm Johnson's five ironmen turning in a wonderful effort.

In the senior contest Richmond Hill held a 4-2 lead at the quarter, a 7-3 lead at the half, and at the three-quarter mark Aurora had drawn on even terms. In the last quarter the locals sunk two baskets for four points, while holding the home forces scoreless to eke out a 14-10 win.

Pugsey led the Aurora team with five points, while Cosgrove of the Hill team scored seven points.

Aurora line-up: guard, P. Hughey (2), Fullott (2); forwards, Rawlings (2), Flingold (3), Pugsey (5); subs, Burton, Campbell and Stephens.

The seniors scored a 19-10 win over opponents who were considerably smaller in size, with Iron Kyle leading the Aurora marksmen with eight points. C. R. Blackstock of Pickering college handled both games, the senior game being a particularly rough game, while the juniors played cleanly.

A.H.S. Juniors: guards, Thompson (2), Griffith (4); forwards, Stephenson (1), Davis (4), Kyle (8); subs, Babcock, Nisbet, Campbell, Coburn, H. Bangay.

COMPANY COMMANDER IS ON JOB AGAIN

C company the Queen's York Rangers regiment welcomed back on duty last Thursday their popular O.C., Capt. D. O. Mungovan, who has been absent through illness since New Year's. The company went through a stiff evening's work with the Vickers machine gun, the rifle and company drill, and new belts were issued by the Q.M.S.

The next night the company paraded on battalion parade at Fort York armories, and hereafter will journey to Toronto every other week, the drills being held in Newmarket on the other evenings.

NEW EDITOR NAMED FOR A.H.S. PAPER

Sam Hughes is the new editor of "The Quill," the official publication of the students at Aurora high school. He succeeds Jon Perry, well-known high school athlete, who has joined the R.C.A.F.

GIVES PAPER ON OUTSTANDING WOMEN

The In-As-Much club met at the home of Mrs. George Beach, Tyler St., on Monday evening, with the president, Miss Mary Teasdale, in the chair.

Mrs. C. G. Macdonald gave a talk on current events, while Mrs. Beach gave a paper on Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt and Mrs. Winston Churchill.

Wor. Sis. N. Higgins presided and welcomed the guest speaker and other visitors. A letter was read from Pte. William Stuart, who is overseas, for the box sent him by the lodge. He is the son of Wor. Sis. Agnes Stuart, P.M.

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HEAR HOME MISSIONARY

The Women's Auxiliary of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church met this afternoon at the home of Mrs. Ernest Glass, Harrison Ave. W. R. Maxwell of Knox College, Toronto, was the special speaker of the afternoon and told of conditions and experiences in the mission fields of Canada.

GUILD MEETS

The Women's Association of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church held a devotional meeting on Tuesday at the home of Miss Lily Bradbury, Marshall Ave.

Additional Aurora news will be found on Page 8.

LOSS TO ACES PUTS JUNIORS OUT OF LEAGUE

Aurora juniors bowed out of the junior hockey picture on Monday evening in Uxbridge arena in the third and what proved to be the final game of the Markham series.

The 9-2 score, while it does not

completely tell the true picture, can and does leave no doubt but that the better team won, and on the night won decisively. Hockey is a funny game, however, especially where youngsters are concerned, and if Aurora had been able to weather the storm in the second period when they were short-handed, instead of the team going to pieces, they might well have hung on. Once the Aces had drawn blood they unleashed an attack that would do credit to junior A hockey, and the superlative ease of their attack, with mounting confidence, was pretty to see except for die-hard Aurora fans.

Proceeding up Mosley St., they left the safe in the rear of the old Disciples of Christ church, obviously intending to return and open or remove it by automobile. As they were going up the street Mrs. Archie Cousins, wife of the owner, was returning from visiting one of the dairy employees and she noticed the two men pulling the heavy object. Returning to the dairy before going home, Mrs. Cousins found the safe gone and quickly made her way to Dawson's Grill and telephoned Chief Constable Fisher Dunham.

Constable Dunham and County Constable Aubrey Fleury made a search of the district, finding the safe but not the men. Mrs. Cousins removed the money from the safe and Constable Fleury hid in the Mechanics' hall opposite the church to watch for the return of the burglars while Constable Dunham proceeded on his night rounds as if nothing had happened.

Lightning struck midway through the second period. Mably accidentally tripped Rowe in centre ice and was benched by Holmeshaw. Bob Bangay slugged Del Beaumont and both boys got the ticket to the cooler, the' Beaumont had the fight on points. Markham shone out four forwards and Lawrie, Rowe and Baker had put the Aces in the lead before you could say "Mably's time will soon be up."

The reverse was a stunner to the Aurora boys and when Markham got number four while they had Ike Harper in the box, the game was as good as won. The third period was a nightmare for Waddell, who continually drew plaudits from the crowd for clever work. The Aces hit the score sheet for five last period counters.

For the first time in weeks Aurora had a full team, but absence from the line-up had made some of the boys practically strangers. Ross Tunbridge came to the game from a sickbed, where he had been for two weeks, and after the first period he was weak as a kitten and couldn't get going. Jack Wheeler also came from the sick list and was handicapped, Brown, suffering from a sore leg, was used only sparingly.

Fights broke out in the last period, but little damage resulted. Ken Holmeshaw handled the game in his usual spectacular style.

Aurora: goal, Waddell; defence, Wheeler and Tunbridge; centre, Beaumont; wings, Stephens and Pearce; subs, Alexander, Bercerford, Mabley, Stark, Campbell, Brown.

Markham: goal, J. Harper; defence, Sabiston and B. Harper; centre, R. Bangay; wings, Lawrie and Baker; subs, Northcott, Murphy, Rowe, Melarg, Clark, Babcock, Johnson.

KING FARMER CAME FROM PIONEER FAMILY

The death occurred on Friday at York county hospital, Newmarket, of Richard Thomas Murray of Portageville, well-known King township farmer. He was in his 90th year and had been in ill health for the past few months.

Born in King township on the eighth concession, he spent all his days in the district. His parents, the late Joseph and Harriet Murray, were pioneers of the township. He was a member of the Masonic order, member of Christ Anglican church, Kettleby, and in politics, a Conservative.

He is survived by his widow, the former Ada Munshaw, three daughters, Miss Jean, at home, Mrs. George Anthony, Jr., Lake Wilcox, and Mrs. William Taylor, King, and two brothers, Richard of Kettleby and Archie of Aurora. The funeral service was at his late residence, with burial in Kettleby cemetery, in the Vaughan township boys.

High school seniors and juniors, too, can just about sew up the basketball loops by a double win at Pickering this afternoon, and the famous fighting five frommen are determined to keep the winning streak intact.

MacFry has been tending a hand with the girls at the local high school and she and Miss Sanderson have two strong teams. Too bad they insist on playing the old girls' rules, which remind us of "first hour is out" days. Boys' rules, or a more modern set of rules, would prove more popular.

Shorty Graham, the mighty atom of North York hockey, is this season showing the form which made him a standout in junior hockey a few years back. "Barney" should prove a real asset for those who complain.

The lad at one time or other has had all the important bones broken and yet he comes back for more and after months of suffering is nearly as good as new.

RADIO CAR URGES WAR SAVINGS

Aurora citizens and shoppers were urged Saturday evening by means of a radio car to participate in Canada's war savings campaign. The scheme was sponsored by the local committee.

Lodge Official Visits L.O.B.A. Banquet Held

Last Thursday evening Queen Mary L.O.B.A. was honored by an official visit from the deputy grand mistress of Ontario west, Rt. Wor. Sister Rose Howell of Toronto.

Wor. Sis. N. Higgins presided and welcomed the guest speaker and other visitors. A letter was read from Pte. William Stuart, who is overseas, for the box sent him by the lodge.

He is the son of Wor. Sis. Agnes Stuart, P.M.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Morton entertained at a Valentine's party on Friday evening in honor of Miss Jean Collins.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Dawson of Toronto spent Saturday with Mrs. George Spence, Wellington St.

Miss Jean Sanderson of the high school staff is confined to her residence with illness.

Miss Beryl Phillips, Yonge St., spent Sunday at Uxbridge with her sister, Mrs. A. Martin, and Jack Bradbury of the R.C.A.F., Jarvis, spent a few days this week at his home.

HEAR HOME MISSIONARY

The Women's Auxiliary of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church met this afternoon at the home of Mrs. Ernest Glass, Harrison Ave. W. R. Maxwell of Knox College, Toronto, was the special speaker of the afternoon and told of conditions and experiences in the mission fields of Canada.

CHANGE ADDRESSES

New addresses for Aurora boys with the R.C.A.F. are as follows: George English, Flinton; Arthur Bunn, St. Thomas; Keith Davis, manning pool, Toronto.

Additional Aurora news will be found on Page 8.

GUILD MEETS

The Women's Association of Trinity Anglican church held a devotional meeting on Tuesday at the home of Miss Lily Bradbury, Marshall Ave.

Proprietor's Wife Sees Safe Being Trundled Away

Entering by means of a rear window, two thieves entered Cousins' Dairy near midnight Friday evening, Jimmied a baby safe from its enclosure in the office, dragged it across the cement floor to the rear of the building, and pulled it away on a child's sleigh. The safe contained about \$345.

Proceeding up Mosley St., they left the safe in the rear of the old Disciples of Christ church, obviously intending to return and open or remove it by automobile. As they were going up the street Mrs. Archie Cousins, wife of the owner, was returning from visiting one of the dairy employees and she noticed the two men pulling the heavy object. Returning to the dairy before going home, Mrs. Cousins found the safe gone and quickly made her way to Dawson's Grill and telephoned Chief Constable Fisher Dunham.

Constable Dunham and County Constable Aubrey Fleury made a search of the district, finding the safe but not the men. Mrs. Cousins removed the money from the safe and Constable Fleury hid in the Mechanics' hall opposite the church to watch for the return of the burglars while Constable Dunham proceeded on his night rounds as if nothing had happened.

Two warning shots at them but was unable to apprehend them owing to the slippery streets. Immediately a thorough search of the town was made and Yonge St. patrolled with the result that about 5 a.m. near Richmond Hill James Rolston, aged 26, Cedarvale Ave., Toronto, was taken into custody.

Meanwhile an automobile stuck in the

ENTREPRENEURS WILL BE REWARDED

AURORA EDITORIAL

One of the reasons given for removing the Fleury-Bissell industry from Aurora to Elora was that Elora had both railways, whereas Aurora had only the C.N.R. As we pointed out last year, the Grand River conservation plan is likely to deprive Elora of the C.P.R. The question is soon to be settled. The C.P.R. has applied to the board of transport commissioners for permission to abandon its line. A number of municipalities are opposing the application at a hearing in Guelph. Elora made a last-minute decision not to oppose the abandonment provided the C.P.R. guarantees to continue service over the C.N.R. line from Guelph and such arrangements are "of a permanent nature, so as to reserve the advantages accruing to manufacturers and shippers in consequence of a two-railway company service."

This only serves to remind us that we in Aurora must be more successful in securing new industry than we were in trying to hold the Fleury-Bissell industry.

Now is the time to strike for new industry. We want sound, permanent industry, not war industry. There are those who seem to think that Canada's great military establishment has come to stay, but we do not agree. When the war is over, as some day it will be, militarism and munitions plants and military camps will be swept away as the pendulum of public opinion swings towards peace and permanent peace efforts. Municipalities which are now depending on munitions plants will find themselves with unemployment problems. So let us seek permanent industry.

Another mistake, we think, would be to wait until the end of the war, in the belief that there will be a great migration of industry from Europe to this continent. We "go out on a limb" to say that we don't believe anything of the sort will happen. There will be no extraordinary movement of industry or of population to Canada after the war. Europe will not bring the barn to Canada after the horse has been stolen. Europe will begin again in the hope and belief that it is to be a world of peace--and there is every reason, with the experience of 1918 to 1939 as a guidepost, to hope that Europe will never again be torn by war.

There will be no great migration to this country and continent until we so solve our economic problems that we again experience what is called prosperity. That we are a long way from such a solution is evidenced by the fact that unemployment relief is still a matter of contention at a time when our government is spending a billion dollars on war and the British government is spending in Canada enough to make up for the part of the billion dollars which Canada is spending in the United States.

Now is the time to strike for new industry. Now is the time when industrial cities are crowded and firms are looking for attractive new locations. We in Aurora should take steps to replace the industry we have lost through advertising in appropriate publications, through the preparation of suitable printed matter descriptive of Aurora's advantages, and through the adoption of an alert and enterprising outlook.

KETTLEBY RICHARD MURRAY IS BURIED AT KETTLEBY

A large number of friends and relatives attended the funeral of the late Richard Murray on Sunday. The service was conducted by the Rev. F. V. Abbott with interment in Kettleby cemetery. The sympathy of the community

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is extended to the bereaved family.

Mrs. Greenides returned home last week after spending some time in Toronto.

Mr. Frank Hounsome and son, of Egbert, visited on Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Stephenson.

The Kettleby Women's Institute will meet at the home of Miss Laura Black today. The motto is "Cultivate not only the cornfields of your mind, but the pleasure grounds also." The roll-call will be answered by "A suggestion for removing stains." A paper on "Health and child welfare" will be given. There will be music and a contest. The hostesses are Mrs. Black and Miss Laura Black.

Mrs. Carl Black spent the weekend at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ingram.

Christ church guild, Kettleby, met on Tuesday of last week at the home of Mrs. Hughley.

Miss Iris Hollingshead and Mr. Cyril Hollingshead, both of Toronto, spent the weekend with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Keffer and family of New Toronto spent the weekend at the home of Mrs. Keffer's mother, Mrs. Morris.

Mrs. Phyllis Davis of Milton is spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. Tilson.

Mr. and Mrs. Grenville McCaig of Bradford and Mr. and Mrs. Les. Wilson and Frances of Dunnerton spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Heacock.

The Baptist Ladies' Aid met at the home of Mrs. O. M. Heacock on Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Johnson and son and Mr. Fred Judge, of Toronto, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Judge.

Mrs. Wells and family and Mr. Macmillan spent Sunday with Mrs. Wells' sister, Mrs. W. Stevens, of Schomberg.

The community is sorry to learn that Henry Heacock is a patient at York county hospital.

PLEASANTVILLE RED CROSS WORKERS WILL MEET ON FEB. 22

The Red Cross unit for Pine Orchard will meet on Saturday, Feb. 22, at Bogarttown schoolhouse. Everybody is welcome and all are asked to come prepared to quilt, cut quilt patches, and to bring all finished knitting and other sewing.

A good time was enjoyed by all last Friday night at the school, when a croquino and box social was sponsored by the community club. Proceeds of over \$15 went to the British war victims' fund.

There was a large attendance at the prayer meeting on Monday night at the home of Douglas McClure. Next Monday all the prayer meeting folks and all others who can come are invited to Wesley United church, Vandorf.

At the Union church last Sunday Rev. Mr. Ralston of Parry Sound delivered a fine message. This Sunday Rev. Burton Hill of the Friends church, Newmarket, will be the speaker.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Scott and Miss Grace Scott spent a couple of days in Toronto this week.

Mrs. A. Tucker and Mrs. C. Toole had Thursday tea at the home of Mr. Earl Toole.

Mrs. G. McClure had Thursday dinner at the home of Mrs. Jas. Hope, also helping on a Willing Workers quilt.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Williams and little Garnet of Bogarttown spent the weekend with Mr. Williams' sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. G. Kaiser, at Kleinburg. Miss Erma Taylor of Toronto

was a weekend guest at the home of Mr. E. Tool.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Starr were Thursday dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John McClure.

Mrs. Harry West returned home on Wednesday of last week from Fenelon Falls, where she had been staying for a week at the home of her brother, Mr. Duke.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Peterson of Elora and Aurora spent Saturday night with Mrs. Peterson's sister and family, Mrs. G. McClure.

Mr. Orley McClure visited at the Richardson home, Aurora, last Tuesday, also calling on his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Stephenson.

Miss Betty Haines of Newmarket was a weekend guest of Miss Joyce VanLuven.

Friends are glad that the Misses F. Stickwood and B. McDonald are improved from their recent illness. They were both missed from the club, which was held on Saturday afternoon at the Harper home.

Weir. Mrs. Grant had been in poor health for a number of years but her death came as a shock to her many friends. Deepest sympathy is extended to her husband and young daughter, Eloise, and also to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Weir.

The funeral service took place on Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Grant was an active worker in the Presbyterian church and Sunday-school and had also taken a great interest in the Red Cross activities until she was forced to give up because of her health.

The young ladies' class of the United church put on a very successful Valentine supper in the church basement on Saturday of last week.

Mrs. Clarence Marchant acted as one of the judges at the Valentine masquerade dance held in Nobleton community hall on Friday evening, under the auspices of the Women's Institute. A huge crowd attended, with good receipts.

A former resident of this district, Miss Sarah Lloyd, passed away at the home of her sister, Mrs. Harrison, near Mount Albert, on Monday of last week. She has many relatives in and near Schomberg, who attended the service at her late residence on Wednesday. Entombment took place in Mount Albert cemetery. The final resting place will be in the Lloydtown cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Emmerson and boys of Nobleton called on Mr. and Mrs. Dan Emmerson.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Paton of Laskey called on Mr. Paton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elias Paton, on Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Messinger and family of Malton spent Sunday with Mrs. Messinger's brother, Mr. Ed. O'Brien.

Mr. and Mrs. David Gould of Tottenham called on Mr. and Mrs. E. Paton on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Stone and boys, of Toronto, spent Sunday at their summer cottage here.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick William of Laskey spent Sunday with Mrs. William's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Madill.

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Ravenshoe

The W.M.S. and W.A. will meet in the Ravenshoe United church on Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 28, at 2:30 p.m. All ladies will be most welcome, as the W.M.S. plans to have a quilting.

The W.A. will serve their usual splendid monthly tea at the evening supper hour.

All are asked to attend church service on Sunday, when Rev. Gordon Lapp is exchanging pulpits with Rev. C. E. Fockler of Maple. A good crowd is hoped for to welcome back the former minister.

The Y.P.U. held a very successful Valentine party and social evening on Wednesday evening.

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JACK LUCK IS SPEAKER

Last Sunday Jack Luck, president of the Newmarket branch of the British Israel World Federation, gave the address at the regular

Sunday afternoon meeting, taking "The book of Revelations and how to interpret it" for his subject.

Those present have requested him to give a further talk on the same subject at another meeting.

The subject proved to be exceptionally interesting. There will be no meeting next Sunday, Feb. 23, because of the conference being held in the Presbyterian church.

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BELHAVEN

—Pte. Raymond Fairbarn, who has been at Camp Borden since September, spent the weekend at his home here, accompanied by Cpl. W. Ely, also of Camp Borden, whose home is in Winnipeg. Feb. 14. — In spite of weather and conditions, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Reid, Pte. Bruce Reid and Mr. J. Marshall and daughter, Joyce, of Allandale were Sunday guests at the home of their aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Horner, and Mrs. E. Nelson and family.

Mr. Wm. Willoughby, Orman and Winnie, and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Winch attended the funeral of Mrs. Ida Connell (Eliza Winch) in Thornhill United church last Friday, Feb. 7, and burial in Queen's cemetery. Mrs. Connell was the only sister of Wm. Winch. She died after a long illness in her 77th year at her home in Thornhill.

On Tuesday the Women's Institute held their meeting in the hall. Mrs. Mie Sedore, vice-president, took charge of the meeting in the absence through illness of the president, Mrs. Wm. Winch. Miss Ella Morton gave a talk on nursing and Mrs. Geo. White sang a beautiful solo.

The tickets are on sale now for the Plunkett four-course dinner to be served in the community hall on the evening of March 31, under the auspices of Belhaven Women's Institute. Proceeds are to benefit the war victims' fund.

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PEPPER AND SALT

By PEP

Newmarket Redmen jumped the first hurdle in their race to play-off honors by defeating Sutton 14 goals to one Thursday last. This put Sutton juniors out of further competition in the North York Junior hockey league of 1941 A.D. Mention the date just for the benefit of future historians. They may not read it, consider or record it, but it will be there just the same. Fourteen goals in one game is something one shouldn't pass over lightly.

With the passing of the Aurora squad from the play-off picture, the haze we have been in now reveals Markham Aces and the Redmen for the group title, with the odds about even on the teams' seasonal records.

Personally, as well as from a sporting angle, I would have liked to see Aurora put the skids under the Lawrie-coached clan, as the locals would have had a decent ice surface to play on at least, as well as the support of plenty of the fans who can't make the trip to Markham.

Why the play-off tie was settled in Uxbridge instead of in the Newmarket arena, we will never know. From where we sit, it must have been the Markham influence, as I'm sure the Aurora club would have rather played off in the Redmen's coop than back in the bush loop.

In the third game we understand that the Aurora boys again blew a nice chance when they were leading by two goals by mixing it up with the Aces, with the result being a penalty for the blue team and three markers on the score board for Markham.

This Markham aggregation are a dangerous bunch and poison inside the blue-line. However, one of their best scoring plays is getting the other team's goat and working the odd penalty. Then, when they have the odd man, look out, as they really roll into high gear.

The Redmen, on the season's record, have a swell chance to take the Aces into camp. All I hope is that there is an official on the ice who can see some of the Aces' biggest stocks-in-trade, namely, interference and slashing, the points that get their opponents' nanny and the gate.

Another feature that disappoints me in the elimination of the Aurora squad is that I won't be able to scrap verbally with my pal, "Down the Centre," as he will not have much interest since the Aurorans bit the dust. I hope the supply of towels was adequate last Monday nite.

Don't forget the first battle royal for the group title in the Cedar St. ice bowl tonite. So come out and give the Redmen your support in their quest for group honors and the right to continue in the hunt for the "C" crown. Incidentally, the Aces last year went to the finals. If the reds take them, they should have a real chance.

Should the series go to three games I hope the third will be in the Aurora rink, even if the Newmarket officials have to get to the O.H.A.'s offices at 6 o'clock in the morning to request that play-off place instead of another Uxbridge.

With the military camp idle, the town league has taken on a somewhat anaemic appearance, with the teams being at a standstill for the past two weeks and some of them grumbling plenty about it.

Personally, I can't see why the merk loop should fold up before it really got started, as the crowds were fair, with promise of better ones coming, and the teams were just getting warmed up. Another point is the lapse of time. The town squads should balance their schedule by playing among themselves.

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ZEPHYR**ZEPHYR COUPLE MARK
53RD WEDDING DAY**

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Myers of Zephyr celebrated their 53rd wedding anniversary on Saturday, Feb. 15. Congratulations are being extended.

George and Howard Pickering of the Irish Regiment, Camp Borden, spent the weekend in Zephyr.

Mr. Chas. Peers, who has spent most of the winter in Toronto with his son, has returned to the home of his daughter, Mrs. C. Pickering.

The Scott war workers had a sewing bee in the hall on Tuesday.

A dinner will be held at the home of Mrs. R. A. Armstrong on Friday of this week for the north group, when some custom quilts will be made, the proceeds to go to W. M. S. work.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dunn and Patsy of Newmarket spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. C. Pickering.

Mrs. H. McKeown of Toronto has been spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. Tilman Myers.

Mr. McKeown, Vern and Earl Kearns of Toronto spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Myers and Mrs. McKeown returned home with them.

Mr. and Mrs. James Heaton and Kenneth of Concord spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. Heaton and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Rye.

George Horner of Winnipeg, manager for his company for western Canada, reports a decided improvement in business during the past year. He spent a few days visiting his parents during the past week.

James Cain celebrated his 86th birthday on Monday.

Mrs. Edward Myers is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Clark, sixth concession, Scott township.

QUEENSVILLE**RED CROSS EUCHRE
IS TOMORROW EVENING**

Tomorrow night is the night of the big Red Cross euchre to be held in the Queenville schoolhouse. By all reports, this euchre will be well attended and a pleasant evening is promised all who attend. Play will commence at 8:30 sharp, S.T. Many are on daylight saving time, and it is intended to be very strict as to the hour of starting, so be early. Good prizes will be given. There will be a lucky draw. The ladies are asked to provide lunch.

Plans are being completed for the Queenville Red Cross dance to be held in Belhaven hall on Friday, Feb. 28. Art West and his orchestra will furnish the music. Prizes will be given for novelty dances. Lunch will be served. There will be special decorations and novelties. All in all, everything that goes into making an enjoyable and ever-to-be-remembered evening. Join in with the fun at Belhaven hall the last night of the month.

The community party held last Friday evening realized nearly \$20 for the British war victims' fund. A goodly number attended and enjoyed themselves playing games, which were followed by a short entertainment.

A large attendance was present at church last Sunday morning. Rev. Hugh Shannon delivered an inspiring sermon on "Guidance." The choir rendered the anthem "Rock of Ages," also the hymn, "Praise the Lord," to the hymn tune "Australia."

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Semple of Tottenham spent last weekend at the Hulse home.

Mrs. Ruth Arswell of Toronto spent last weekend visiting Miss Helen Cole.

Rev. and Mrs. Hugh Shannon entertained the choir last Thursday evening at the manse. All had a very enjoyable evening.

Virginia

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Rae spent Sunday with Mrs. Rae's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Umphrey, in Udo. Some from here attended the pot luck supper and concert which was held last Friday evening in Pefferlaw hall in aid of the Women's Institute war fund. A feature of the evening was the draw for the comforter. The lucky winner was Mrs. Matt Weston of Wilfrid.

Mrs. Frank Lyons and family were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Noble in Sutton last Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Rae visited Mrs. Rae's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kay, in Cedar Brae on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. McCrae and family of Newmarket visited Mrs. McCrae's mother, Mrs. N. Laviolette, on Sunday.

MISSION CIRCLE WILL
MEET ON FEB. 21

The Velma Widdifield Mission circle will meet on Friday evening, Feb. 21, at 8 p.m., at the home of Miss Norine Slater, 53 Millard Ave.

Keswick

The silver tea held by the supply committee of the W.M.S. of the United church at the manse was a decided success. Mrs. Gordon Lapp and Mrs. Wm. Vail received the many guests who were requested to register in the manse guest book. The dining-room was tastefully decorated with spring flowers and Valentine decorations. Mrs. Willoughby and the members of her committee, and those who assisted, are to be congratulated upon the arrangements made for the tea and its success.

The United church W.M.S. meeting last Thursday was arranged by Miss Joy Marratt, first vice-president, who presided during the worship service. Mrs. Mahoney, Mrs. Gordon Lapp and Miss Marjorie Glover assisted in the program.

Following the business meeting, conducted by Mrs. Wm. Vail, a very fine report of the recent presbyterian meeting in Toronto was given by Mrs. Vail.

On March 13 at 2:30 p.m. Mrs. Perry Winch, second vice-president, will preside at the W.M.S. meeting. Miss Joy Marratt will give a report of the presbyterian and Mrs. Frank Marratt will review the study book on Korea.

The members of the W.M.S. have formed a prayer group or circle and they invite all the ladies of the community to join with them in daily prayer in their homes at 1:30 p.m., standard time, for the temperance work and world peace.

On Friday, Feb. 28, the world's day of prayer will be held in the Christian church. Mrs. Serrick, key woman for this district, will be in charge of all arrangements. Miss Joy Marratt will assist. This is a very important day, Friday, Feb. 28.

The services in the United church were well attended on Sunday, both morning and evening.

In the Sunday-school the senior C.G.I.T. group conducted the worship service and under the leadership of Mrs. Gordon Lapp very effectively dramatized St. Paul before Agrippa.

The evening service was conducted by the Young People's Union. Miss Marjorie Glover, the president, presided in a very capable manner. She was assisted by speakers from the different departments, Ewart VanNorman, Miss Elsie Foster, Jack Winch and Mrs. K. McKinnon. Miss Margaret Richmond rendered a very beautiful solo, "The Stranger of Galilee."

MOUNT ALBERT
Valentine Dance Nets
Red Cross Over \$50

Members of the young people's executive of Camp Ashunyong, Bald's Point, Lake Simcoe, met at the parsonage on Wednesday evening to make plans for next summer's camp, which will be held from June 30 to July 6. Delegates were present from Uxbridge, Dunbarton, King and Maple.

The Orange Lodge held a social evening of euchre in the lodge room on Thursday evening, when Mrs. Stanley Boyd, Ross Stickwood and Geo. Broderick, Jr., were the lucky players of the evening.

Mrs. Robt. Davis visited for several days last week at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Kenneth Jarvis, at Barrie.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Stiver of Scott spent the weekend with Mrs. Thos. Watts, Mr. Stiver's sister, and Mr. Watts.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Thompson and Edward, of Toronto, spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. J. Oliver.

The senior Women's Institute met at the home of Mrs. Ira Morton on Thursday with the president, Mrs. H. Brown, in the chair. The report of the euchre was given and there is still a balance to pay on the hall decorating, so the second group will be sponsoring some event in the near future. The program took the form of Valentine's Day, when the story of St. Valentine was given, contests were enjoyed and also a sing-song. The next meeting will be the annual banquet.

Do not miss attending the concert in the hall on Friday evening, Feb. 21, which is given in aid of the British war victims' fund. "Come and bring all your friends and give all you

can to this worthy cause," the sponsors say.

The Valentine dance in the hall on Friday evening was a huge success and the draw for the radio, in aid of the Red Cross, was won by Hugh Ross of Ravensehoe, with a profit of \$34.50 for the Red Cross fund.

MOUNT ALBERT

MOUNT ALBERT WINS
FIRST PLAY-OFF GAME

The Sutton mercantile hockey finals, with a two-game series for the championship, goals to count, started on Monday night. Mount Albert played Pefferlaw and players of Zephyr, which resulted in a win for Mount Albert of 4-3.

Miss Marion Morrison and a friend, of Toronto, are spending a week's holidays with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Morrison.

Mrs. R. C. Burnham had the misfortune to fall on ice this week and break her wrist.

George and Bruce Cooke of Toronto spent the weekend with their parents, Dr. and Mrs. C. A. Cooke.

Miss Madeline Riley of Weston and Mr. Jack Culverwell spent the weekend with Mrs. Jack Culverwell.

An excellent crowd attended the Red Cross bridge and euchre in St. James' hall on Wednesday of last week.

Roche's Point

A social will be held in the parish hall on Friday evening. Moving pictures with talkies will be shown by J. Bruce Mackinnon, the scenes dealing with work of the empire's navy. A sing-song will round out a pleasant evening. The program will commence at 8 o'clock, and a silver collection will be taken in aid of the W.A. of Christ church. Everybody is welcome.

Queensville

The Queensville Women's Institute will meet on Thursday, Feb. 27, at the home of Mrs. Chesley Doane. Rev. Hugh H. Shannon will give an address on "Peace." The balance of the program will be musical.

All are asked to please note the change of date, from Wednesday to Thursday.

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County Seed Fair WIN
Be Held At Schomberg

Plans have been completed to hold the fifth annual York county seed fair at Schomberg on Thursday, March 13, where the fair is sponsored this year by the Schomberg agricultural society.

In addition to the regular classes featured in former years, a class is being introduced this year for smooth awned, six rowed barley, and a special effort is being made to bring out a number of new exhibitors.

As was the case last year, all grain entered must have a government grade and in order to encourage new exhibitors, the directors of the Crop Improvement Association are undertaking to pay for the grading fee for samples submitted by those who plan to compete for the first time, providing these samples are approved by the agricultural representative. For convenience, the representative is arranging to pick up samples left at the various seed cleaning plants or at his office and deliver these to the seed branch, where the grading will be done. A number of new men have already indicated their intention of exhibiting.

It is rather interesting to note in this connection that Elmer Harding, a member of the Markham boys' grain club, won first prize on an exhibit of Erban oats in a class of 59 entries at the provincial seed show held in Toronto last week. This is evidence of the fact that beginners can win the red ribbons if they really go after them.

Those contemplating exhibiting should have their samples in for grading before March 1 in order to give the staff of the seed branch an opportunity to have a report back before entries close.

In five years the seed fair has developed into a splendid show and the people of the Schomberg district this year will have the chance to benefit from it.

NORTH YORK TEMPERANCE CONVENTION IS MARCH 7

The North York Temperance Federation will hold its regular convention and oratorical contest at Wesley United church (four miles east of Aurora on the fourth concession), on Friday, March 7.

Committees meet at 3 p.m. and the business session of the convention is at 4 p.m. Supper is at 6 o'clock. The evening meeting for the contest begins at 7.30 p.m. All times are standard.

BELHAVEN

Mrs. Robert Davidson returned home last Sunday after spending two weeks in Toronto with her daughter, Mrs. Harry Davis.

Mrs. George Smalley and daughters returned on Monday to their home near Sandford, Mrs. Angus King returning with them for a week.

Lloyd Kay is on the job again after having been ill with the flu.

Master Bob Davidson of Baldwin spent the weekend with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Stevenson.

A large crowd from here attended the first play-off game of hockey between Sutton and Omemee on Tuesday night.

The Queensville Red Cross is holding a dance in the hall here on Friday, Feb. 28.

EAST GWILLIMBURY

Bale Includes Refugee And Hospital Supplies

The ladies of East Gwillimbury Red Cross society met at Sharon hall on Feb. 11 to pack the following shipment to headquarters—refugee articles: 20 quilts, three pairs of socks, one girl's pullover sweater, one girl's skirt, two ladies' coats.

Women's auxiliary services supplies: 10 scarves, 21 pairs of gloves, five sweaters.

Hospital supplies: 15 dressing gowns, 20 pairs of pyjamas.

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